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Subject: Re: URGENT: Will EPA look into chemical fire air pollution concerns

Adding Diane and Lisa - it looks like you all got this one yesterday. Are you already working on a response to her first question inquiry about air quality?

Should I reach out to OLEM on RMP question?

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On Mar 21, 2019, at 8:56 AM, Yessenia Funes <yessenia.funes@earthier.com> wrote:

Good morning,

Following up on this. Also CC'ing a few other press folks. I also wanted to ask about the RMP Rule Delay. Some scientists believe that this delay is playing a part in such disasters like this one in Texas happening. How does the EPA respond to this?

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On Wed, Mar 20, 2019 at 4:36 PM Yessenia Funes <yessenia.funes@earthier.com> wrote:
Good afternoon,

My name is Yessenia Funes. I'm a reporter with Gizmodo, a national science and tech news site.

I'm reaching out to see what updates the EPA has regarding the Deer Park chemical fire. I'm also curious if EPA is doing its own air quality monitoring separate from the TDEQ. There are community concerns that the state agency is fudging numbers. Can the EPA take any actions to secure the public they're safe?

I'm hoping to write something about this sometime tomorrow. Hope to get some more information from you all.

Thanks.

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